

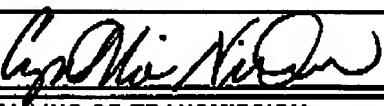
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| <b>Request<br/>For<br/>Continued Examination (RCE)<br/>Transmittal</b><br><br>Address to:<br>Mail Stop RCE<br>Commissioner for Patents<br>P.O. Box 1450<br>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 | <i>Application Number</i>     | 10/824,500 |
|  | <i>Filing Date</i>            | 4/15/2004  |
|  | <i>First Named Inventor</i>   | OGASAWARA  |
|  | <i>Art Unit</i>               | 2635       |
|  | <i>Examiner Name</i>          | BROWN      |
|  | <i>Attorney Docket Number</i> | 01-619     |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

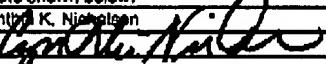
1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
  - a.  Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
    - i.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - b.  Enclosed
    - i.  Amendment/Reply
    - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
2. **Miscellaneous**
  - a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(l) required)
  - b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
  - a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1147 I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.
    - i.  RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(a)
    - ii.  Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
    - iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - b.  Check in the amount of \$ 810 is enclosed
  - c.  Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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| Name (Print/Type)  | Cynthia K. Nicholson  | Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) | 36,880          |
| Signature  |  | Date                              | 24 October 2007 |

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| Name (Print/Type) | Cynthia K. Nicholson  | Date | 24 October 2007 |
| Signature         |  |      |                 |

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## FEE TRANSMITTAL

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|  |  | Application Number   | 10/824,500 |
|  |  | Filing Date          | 4/15/2004  |
|  |  | First Named Inventor | OGASAWARA  |
|  |  | Examiner Name        | BROWN      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27 |  | Art Unit             | 2635       |
| TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)   |  | 01-619               |            |

## METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 50-1147 Deposit Account Name: Posz Law Group, PLC

For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

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under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

Credit any overpayments

## FEE CALCULATION

## 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

| Application Type | FILING FEES |                       | SEARCH FEES |                       | EXAMINATION FEES |                       | Fee Paid (\$) |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
|                  | Fee (\$)    | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$)    | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$)         | Small Entity Fee (\$) |               |
| Utility          | 300         | 150                   | 500         | 250                   | 200              | 100                   | \$            |
| Design           | 200         | 100                   | 100         | 50                    | 130              | 65                    |               |
| Plant            | 200         | 100                   | 300         | 150                   | 160              | 80                    |               |
| Reissue          | 300         | 150                   | 500         | 250                   | 600              | 300                   |               |
| Provisional      | 160         | 80                    | 0           | 0                     | 0                | 0                     |               |

## 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

## Fee Description

Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent

Small Entity

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Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent

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Multiple dependent claims

210

105

Total Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$) Multiple Dependant Claims Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)

- 20 or HP = x =

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

Indep. Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)

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## 3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper, the application size fee due is \$ (\$ for small entity)

for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41 (a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(g).

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Fee Paid (\$)

## 4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other, Request for Continued Examination

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